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SUBJ: THE 7TH SPECIAL SESSION: GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT BY

ROMANIAN MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS GEORGE MACOVESCU

SUMMARY: ROMANIAN MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS MACOVESCU CHARACTERIZED ROMANIA AS A DEVELOPING COUNTRY, ATTRIBUTED THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CRISIS TO IMPERIALISM AND THE ARMS RACE, AND TERMED THE ELIMINATION OF THE GAP BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES THE FINAL GOAL OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER. HE ENDORSED GROUP 77 POSITIONS AS WELL AS EXPANDED UPON THE SOVIET PROPOSAL, CALLING INSTEAD FOR A 10PERCENT CUT IN THE MILITARY BUDGET OF ALL STATES WITH HALF THE SAVINGS GOING INTO A UN-ADMINISTERED DEVELOPMENT FUND. END SUMMARY.

1. ROMANIAN MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS GEORGE MACOVESCU ADDRESSED THE 7TH SPECIAL SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 5TH. HE DESCRIBED UNCLASSIFIED

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ROMANIA AS A DEVELOPING COUNTRY AND NOTED THAT HIS STATUS

WAS LEGITIMIZED BY THE INVITATION TO ATTEND THE OIMA NAC. HE ATTRIBUTED THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CRISIS TO IMPERIALISM AND THE ARMS RACE, AND AVOWED THAT REAL PROGRESS COULD ONLY BE ACHIEVED BY A SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE IN THE WORLD'S ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ORDER. MANCOVESCU CALLED UPON THE SESSION TO TAKE BOTH SHORT AND LONG-TERM MEASURES TO DEAL WITH THE CURRENT SITUATION AND ANNOUNCED HIS GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO PRESENT ITS VIEWS IN DOCUMENT FORM.

2. MACOVESCU CHARACTERIZED THE FINAL GOAL OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER AS THE ELIMINATION OF THE GAP BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING STATES. TOWARDS THESE ENDS HE PROPOSED PRIORITY EMPHASIS ON:

--AID TO THE POOREST COUNTRIES

--DEVELOPMENT OF PROCESSING INDUSTRIES IN LDC'S

--THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A UN WORKING GROUP ON STABILITY OF PRICES AND ACCESS TO RAW MATERIALS AND ENERGY RESOURCES

--SPECIAL UN EFFORTS IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURE

--FAO ADMINISTERED FOOD BUFFER STOCKS

--FREE ACCESS TO MODERN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TO BE FACILITATED BY A UN CONFERENCE (A ROMANIAN PROPOSAL INCLUDED IN GA RESOLUTION 3168(XXVIII))

--A SPECIAL UNESCO SCHOLARSHIP FUND

--THE ELIMINATION OF TRADE BARRIERS

--INTERNATIONAL MONETARY REFORM INCLUDING THE DEMOCRATIZATION OF APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL BODIES

--A UN-ADMINISTERED DEVELOPMENT FUND PARTIALLY FINANCED BY THE ASSIGNMENT OF HALF THE FUNDS OBTAINED FOR A 10PERCENT REDUCTION IN MILITARY BUDGETS OF ALL STATES, AS A VARIATION UPON THE SOVIET PROPOSAL
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--AND UN STRUCTURAL REFORMS INCLUDING THE CREATION OF SPECIAL BODY TO STRENGTHEN AND IMPLEMENT THE NEW PROGRAMME.

3. IN CONCLUSION, MACOVESCU CALLED FOR DIALOGUE AND CONCRETE COOPERATION, STATING THAT "IT IS ONLY THROUGH PEACEFUL COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING THAT WE SHALL BE ABLE TO FIND THE SOLUTIONS WHICH WILL LAY THE FOUNDATIONS FOR THE BETTER AND JUSTER WORLD,

THE GOLDEN DREAM OF ENTIRE MANKIND."
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